

**MARCH 2003 AGENDA**

SUBJECT		ACTION
	X	INFORMATION
		PUBLIC HEARING
Charter Schools participation in Special Education Local Plan Areas (SELPAs)		

Recommendation:

Consider background information on the issue of facilitating the participation of students attending charter schools in SELPAs. California Department of Education (CDE) staff will present recommendations to address any issues at the Board's April 2003 meeting.

Summary of Previous State Board of Education Discussion and Action

At the January 2003 meeting, the State Board of Education requested Dr. Alice Parker, Special Education Director, to prepare information pertaining to the participation and responsibilities of charter schools and SELPAs in the provision of special education services and programs in the special education local plan area.

Summary of Key Issue(s)

In preparation for this information item, CDE staff prepared and sent out a survey to SELPAs and charter schools regarding the provision of special education services to students attending charter schools. CDE staff are currently in the process of receiving and compiling the survey data. Dr. Parker will present the information gathered from the survey at the March board meeting. In addition, Dr. Alice Parker will present information pertaining to the following:

- Demographics
 - Configuration pertaining to chartering agencies
 - Issues surrounding charter participation in the SELPA
 - Information regarding necessary resources and technical assistance
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Fiscal Analysis (as appropriate)

None

Attachment(s)

None

Survey information will be provided in a Supplemental.